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Holy shit time really speeds up when you get older. I ran out of things to say and took a break from thinking about NEET stuff, then all of the sudden a year and a half has gone by. Recently inspiration struck and (after learning to use Adobe InDesign) out came NEETpride Magazine which you can download as a pdf here. The hyperlinks you'll see in the articles only work in the pdf, not with the pictures below.

Going forward I don't plan on posting more than a few times per year and it will be in this new NEETzine format. Basically think lainzine but with a focus on NEET culture. Besides dumping it all at once in a pdf a few times per year, the big change will be more active solicitation of other writers/artists/etc. If you're reading this you've probably already joined the NEET Army. Now that army has a mission: create NEET culture.

This means I want NEETs to do cool stuff. That's how you create culture. Then through this NEETpride Magazine demonstrate how cool NEETs are through autobiographical essays, other NEETs interviewing us, tutorials, or whatever. The cool stuff itself can be anything you did or made as a NEET from software to a guerilla sociology experiment to a twitch debate you won to a treehouse built out of trash. This definitely includes fiction writing which can be directly included in the magazine, though it must have clear themes of NEETdom like the Workocracy short story I posted in the past.

I also really need artists, cartoonists, and graphic designers. For art I'll basically take anything that's OC even if it's not intrinsically NEET-related; just not anti-NEET. Talented visual artists tend to be excellent examples of how much more of a positive impact you can have when you don't have to work. Single panel political cartoons/memes/smuggies should either promote NEETdom or dunk on workers. A serialized comic or manga would need to be about NEETs, though the actual plot could be about literally anything like in Osomatsu-san.

Obviously I want protips for living as a NEET, listicles for NEET-related topics, horror stories from workers, and essays on the past, present, and future of NEET culture. Expounding upon problems you find in the NEET community is fine too. These aren't rules by the way. I'm just trying to stimulate your creativity. If you have an idea and want to see it in this online magazine get in touch: https://neetpride.wordpress.com/contact/

For most NEET-adjacent topics you'll have to submit your idea and I'll have to make a call on a case-by-case basis. There are a ton of topics that intersect with NEETdom like anime, the blackpill, basic income, futurism, minimalism, even COVID. Try to frame it in a way that promotes NEETdom. You can either send me the raw essay and leave the layout to me or put together a magazine page yourself (including the text, background, layout, pics, etc) as a png that I slot in to the next issue. If I make any edits I'll send it back to you before publishing.

Finally there are the NEET Classifieds. These aren't articles but function more like Craigslist. Not everyone has fun being a content creator but most NEETs have a discord they want to shill, a project they need help with, a short message they want to give all NEETs, or anything else. To post your classified ad just send a message through the contact link and explain it's for a classified ad rather than an article. It does need to be either a single picture and/or less than 400 characters. Even though these are technically "ads" it's totally free to do this.

So when will the next volume come out? That depends on how much other NEETs want to contribute. Don't feel pressured or anything. I don't. It would defeat the purpose of being a NEET to have the pressure of deadlines. Anyway, here it is in picture form, though reading the pdf on your phone works better.

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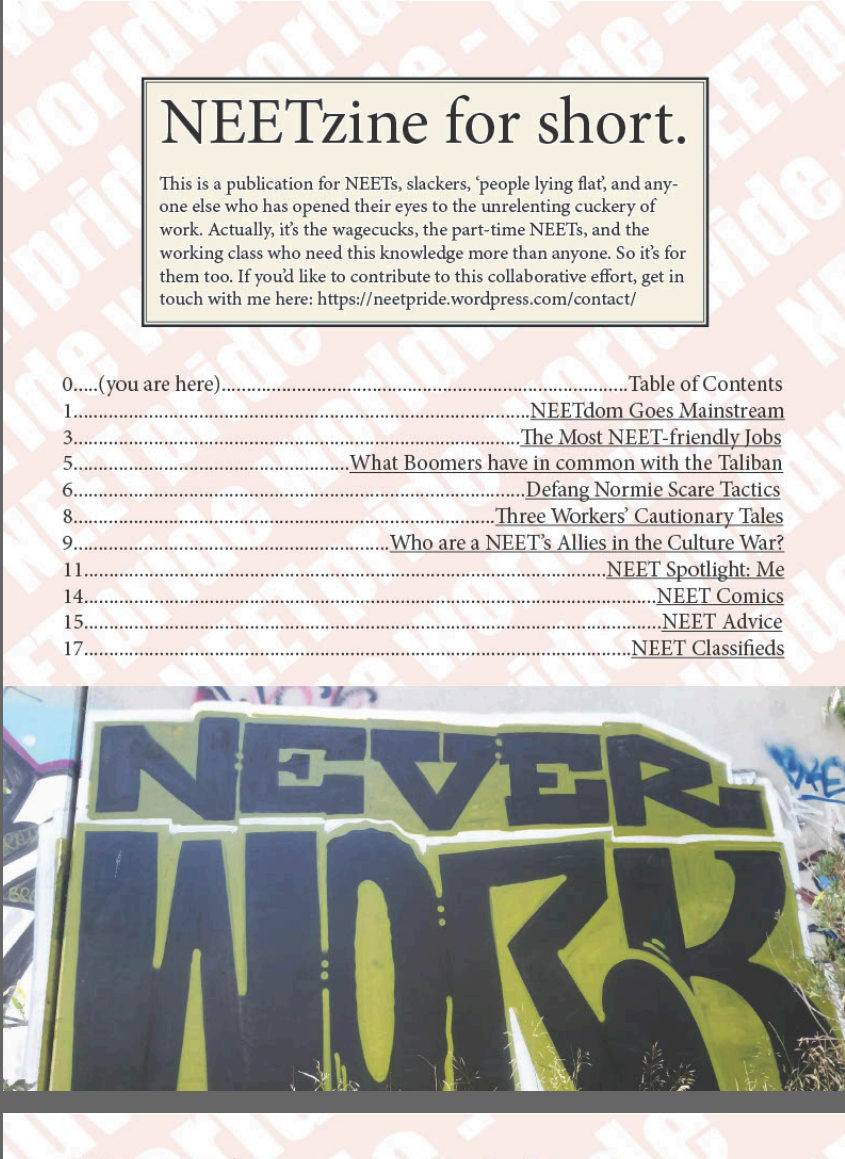

NEETzine for short.

This is a publication for NEETs, slackers, 'people lying flat', and anyone else who has opened their eyes to the unrelenting cuckery of work. Actually, it's the wagecucks, the part-time NEETs, and the working class who need this knowledge more than anyone. So it's for them too. If you'd like to contribute to this collaborative effort, get in touch with me here: https://neetpride.wordpress.com/contact/

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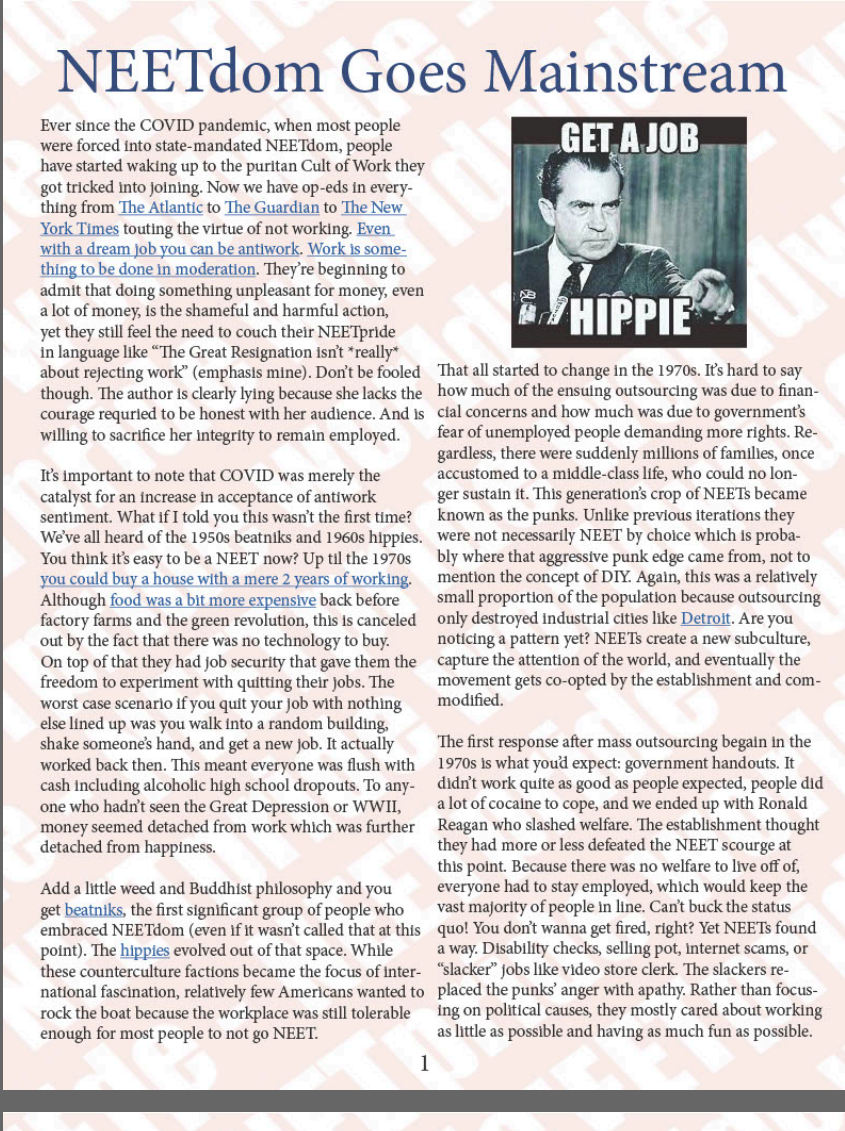

NEETdom Goes Mainstream

Ever since the COVID pandemic, when most people were forced into state-mandated NEETdom, people have started waking up to the puritan Cult of Work they got tricked into joining. Now we have op-eds in everything from The Atlantic to The Guardian to The New York Times touting the virtue of not working. Even with a dream job you can be antiwork. Work is something to be done in moderation. They're beginning to admit that doing something unpleasant for money, even a lot of money, is the shameful and harmful action, yet they still feel the need to couch their NEETpride in language like "The Great Resignation isn't "really" about rejecting work" (emphasis mine). Don't be fooled though. The author is clearly lying because she lacks the courage required to be honest with her audience. And is willing to sacrifice her integrity to remain employed.

It's important to note that COVID was merely the catalyst for an increase in acceptance of antiwork sentiment. What if I told you this wasn't the first time? We've all heard of the 1950s beatniks and 1960s hippies. You think it's easy to be a NEET now? Up til the 1970s you could buy a house with a mere 2 years of working. Although food was a bit more expensive back before factory farms and the green revolution, this is canceled out by the fact that there was no technology to buy. On top of that they had job security that gave them the freedom to experiment with quitting their jobs. The worst case scenario if you quit your job with nothing else lined up was you walk into a random building, shake someone's hand, and get a new job. It actually worked back then. This meant everyone was flush with cash including alcoholic high school dropouts. To anyone who hadn't seen the Great Depression or WWII, money seemed detached from work which was further detached from happiness.

Add a little weed and Buddhist philosophy and you get beatniks, the first significant group of people who embraced NEETdom (even if it wasn't called that at this point). The hippies evolved out of that space. While these counterculture factions became the focus of international fascination, relatively few Americans wanted to rock the boat because the workplace was still tolerable enough for most people to not go NEET.

That all started to change in the 1970s. It's hard to say how much of the ensuing outsourcing was due to financial concerns and how much was due to government's fear of unemployed people demanding more rights. Regardless, there were suddenly millions of families, once accustomed to a middle-class life, who could no longer sustain it. This generation's crop of NEETs became known as the punks. Unlike previous iterations they were not necessarily NEET by choice which is probably where that aggressive punk edge came from, not to mention the concept of DIY. Again, this was a relatively small proportion of the population because outsourcing only destroyed industrial cities like Detroit. Are you noticing a pattern yet? NEETs create a new subculture, capture the attention of the world, and eventually the movement gets co-opted by the establishment and commodified.

The first response after mass outsourcing began in the 1970s is what you'd expect: government handouts. It didn't work quite as good as people expected, people did a lot of cocaine to cope, and we ended up with Ronald Reagan who slashed welfare. The establishment thought they had more or less defeated the NEET scourge at this point. Because there was no welfare to live off of, everyone had to stay employed, which would keep the vast majority of people in line. Can't buck the status quo! You don't wanna get fired, right? Yet NEETs found a way. Disability checks, selling pot, internet scams, or "slacker" jobs like video store clerk. The slackers replaced the punks' anger with apathy. Rather than focusing on political causes, they mostly cared about working as little as possible and having as much fun as possible.

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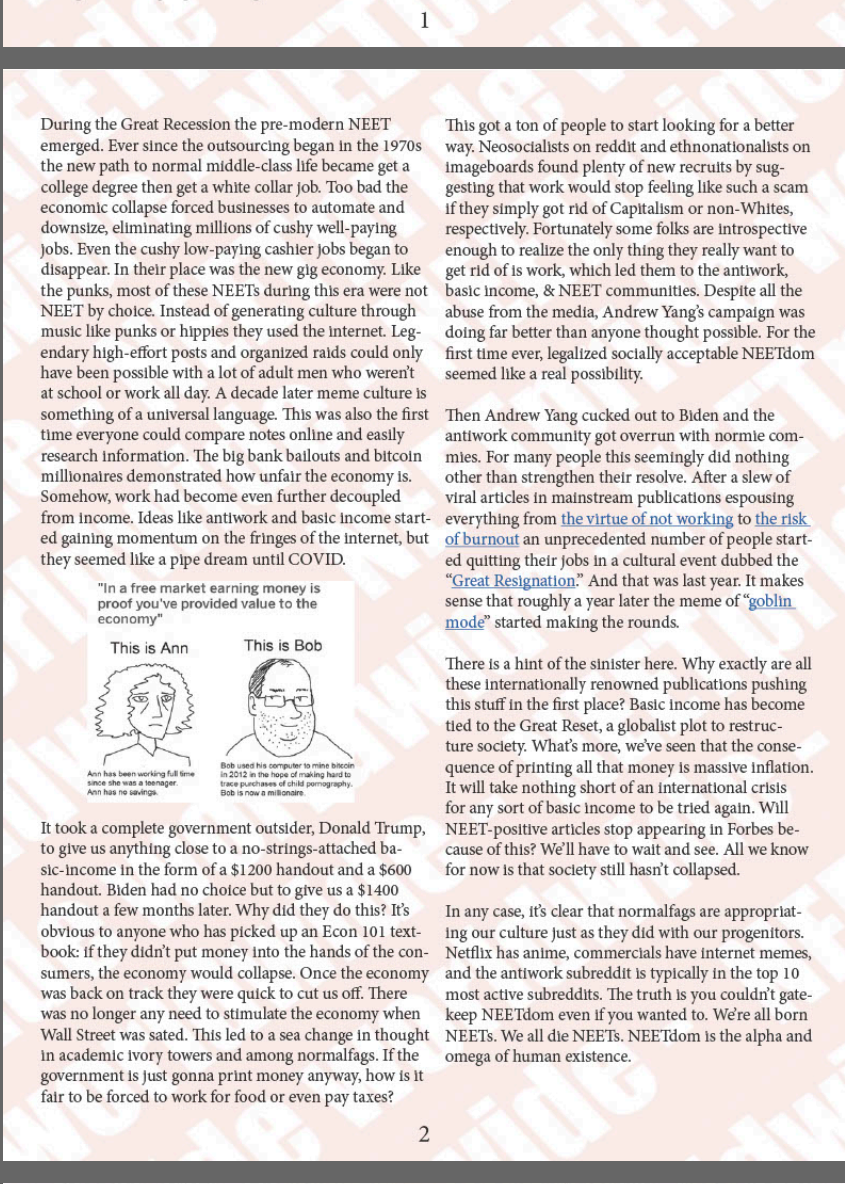

During the Great Recession the pre-modern NEET emerged. Ever since the outsourcing began in the 1970s the new path to normal middle-class life became get a college degree then get a white collar job. Too bad the economic collapse forced businesses to automate and downsize, eliminating millions of cushy well-paying jobs. Even the cushy low-paying cashier jobs began to disappear. In their place was the new gig economy. Like the punks, most of these NEETs during this era were not NEET by choice. Instead of generating culture through music like punks or hippies they used the internet. Legendary high-effort posts and organized raids could only have been possible with a lot of adult men who weren't at school or work all day. A decade later meme culture is something of a universal language. This was also the first time everyone could compare notes online and easily research information. The big bank bailouts and bitcoin millionaires demonstrated how unfair the economy is. Somehow, work had become even more decoupled from income. Ideas like antiwork and basic income started gaining momentum on the fringes of the internet, but they seemed like a pipe dream until COVID.

"In a free market earning money is proof you've provided value to the economy"
This is Ann
This is Bob

It took a complete government outsider, Donald Trump, to give us anything close to a no-strings-attached basic-income in the form of a $1200 handout and a $600 handout. Biden had no choice but to give us a $1400 handout a few months later. Why did they do this? It's obvious to anyone who has picked up an Econ 101 textbook: if they didn't put money into the hands of the consumers, the economy would collapse. Once the economy was back on track they were quick to cut us off. There was no longer any need to stimulate the economy when Wall Street was saved. This led to a sea change in thought in academic ivory towers and among normalfags. If the government is just gonna print money anyway, how is it fair to be forced to work for food or even pay taxes?

This got a ton of people to start looking for a better way. Neosocialists on reddit and ethnonationalists on imageboards found plenty of new recruits by suggesting that work would stop feeling like such a scam if they simply got rid of Capitalism or non-Whites, respectively. Fortunately some folks are introspective enough to realize the only thing they really want to get rid of is work, which led them to the antiwork, basic income, & NEET communities. Despite all the abuse from the media, Andrew Yang's campaign was doing far better than anyone thought possible. For the first time ever, legalized socially acceptable NEETdom seemed like a real possibility.

Then Andrew Yang cucked out to Biden and the antiwork community got overrun with normie commies. For many people this seemingly did nothing other than strengthen their resolve. After a slew of viral articles in mainstream publications exposing everything from the virtue of not working to the risk of burnout an unprecedented number of people started quitting their jobs in a cultural event dubbed the "Great Resignation." And that was last year. It makes sense that roughly a year later the meme of "goblin mode" started making the rounds.

There is a hint of the sinister here. Why exactly are all these internationally renowned publications pushing this stuff in the first place? Basic income has become tied to the Great Reset, a globalist plot to restructure society. What's more, we've seen that the consequence of printing all that money is massive inflation. It would take nothing short of an international crisis for any sort of basic income to be tried again. Will NEET-positive articles stop appearing in Forbes because of this? We'll have to wait and see. All we know for now is that society still hasn't collapsed.

In any case, it's clear that normalfags are appropriating our culture just as they did with our progenitors. Netflix has anime, commercials have internet memes, and the antiwork subreddit is typically in the top 10 most active subreddits. The truth is you couldn't gatekeep NEETdom even if you wanted to. We're all born NEETs. We all die NEETs. NEETdom is the alpha and omega of human existence.

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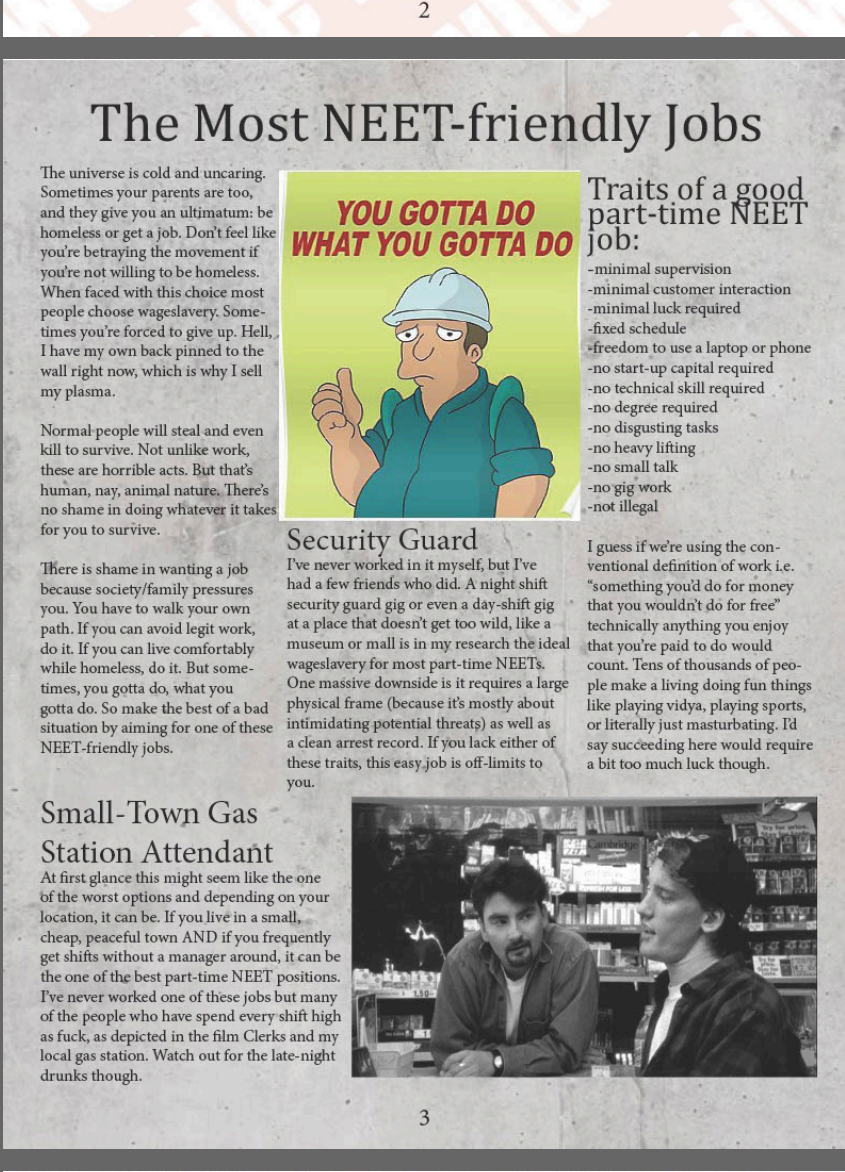

The Most NEET-friendly Jobs

The universe is cold and uncaring. Sometimes your parents are too, and they give you an ultimatum: be homeless or get a job. Don't feel like you're betraying the movement if you're not willing to be homeless. When faced with this choice most people choose wageslavery. Sometimes you're forced to give up. Hell, I have my own back pinned to the wall right now, which is why I sell my plasma.

Normal people will steal and even kill to survive. Not unlike work, these are horrible acts. But that's human, nay, animal nature. There's no shame in doing whatever it takes for you to survive.

There is shame in wanting a job because society/family pressures you. You have to walk your own path. If you can avoid legit work, do it. If you can live comfortably while homeless, do it. But sometimes, you gotta do, what you gotta do. So make the best of a bad situation by aiming for one of these NEET-friendly jobs.

Traits of a good part-time NEET job:

-minimal supervision
-minimal customer interaction
-minimal luck required
-fixed schedule
-freedom to use a laptop or phone
-no start-up capital required
-no technical skill required
-no degree required
-no disgusting tasks
-no heavy lifting
-no small talk
-no gig work
-not illegal

Security Guard

I've never worked in it myself, but I've had a few friends who did. A night shift security guard gig or even a day-shift gig at a place that doesn't get too wild, like a museum or mall is in my research the ideal wageslavery for most part-time NEETs. One massive downside is it requires a large physical frame (because it's mostly about intimidating potential threats) as well as a clean arrest record. If you lack either of these traits, this easy job is off-limits to you.

I guess if we're using the conventional definition of work i.e. "something you'd do for money that you wouldn't do for free" technically anything you enjoy that you're paid to do would count. Tens of thousands of people make a living doing fun things like playing vidya, playing sports, or literally just masturbating. I'd say succeeding here would require a bit too much luck though.

Small-Town Gas Station Attendant

At first glance this might seem like the one of the worst options and depending on your location, it can be. If you live in a small, cheap, peaceful town AND if you frequently get shifts without a manager around, it can be the one of the best part-time NEET positions. I've never worked one of these jobs but many of the people who have spend every shift high as fuck, as depicted in the film Clerks and my local gas station. Watch out for the late-night drunks though.

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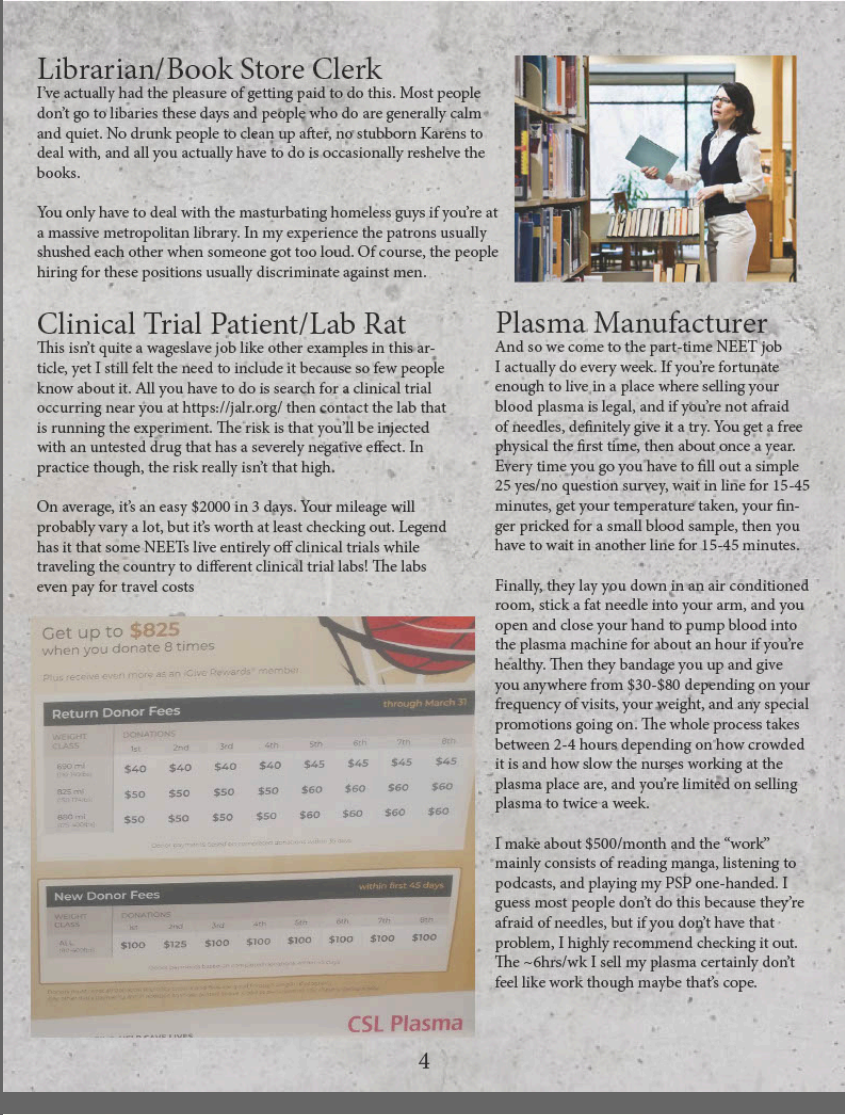

Librarian/Book Store Clerk

I've actually had the pleasure of getting paid to do this. Most people don't go to libaries these days and people who do are generally calm and quiet. No drunk people to clean up after, no stubborn Karens to deal with, and all you actually have to do is occasionally reshelve the books.

You only have to deal with the masturbating homeless guys if you're at a massive metropolitan library. In my experience the patrons usually shushed each other when someone got too loud. Of course, the people hiring for these positions usually discriminate against men.

Clinical Trial Patient/Lab Rat

This isn't quite a wageslave job like other examples in this article, yet I still felt the need to include it because so few people know about it. All you have to do is search for a clinical trial occurring near you at https://jalr.org/ then contact the lab that is running the experiment. The risk is that you'll be injected with an untested drug that has a severely negative effect. In practice though, the risk really isn't that high.

On average, it's an easy $2000 in 3 days. Your mileage will probably vary a lot, but it's worth at least checking out. Legend has it that some NEETs live entirely off clinical trials while traveling the country to different clinical trial labs! The labs even pay for travel costs

Plasma Manufacturer

And so we come to the part-time NEET job I actually do every week. If you're fortunate enough to live in a place where selling your blood plasma is legal, and if you're not afraid of needles, definitely give it a try. You get a free physical the first time, then about once a year. Every time you go you have to fill out a simple 25 yes/no question survey, wait in line for 15-45 minutes, get your temperature taken, your finger pricked for a small blood sample, then you have to wait in another line for 15-45 minutes.

Finally, they lay you down in an air conditioned room, stick a fat needle into your arm, and you open and close your hand to pump blood into the plasma machine for about an hour if you're healthy. Then they bandage you up and give you anywhere from $30-$80 depending on your frequency of visits, your weight, and any special promotions going on. The whole process takes between 2-4 hours depending on how crowded it is and how slow the nurses working at the plasma place are, and you're limited on selling plasma to twice a week.

I make about $500/month and the "work" mainly consists of reading manga, listening to podcasts, and playing my PSP one-handed. I guess most people don't do this because they're afraid of needles, but if you don't have that problem, I highly recommend checking it out. The ~6hrs/wk I sell my plasma certainly don't feel like work though maybe that's cope.

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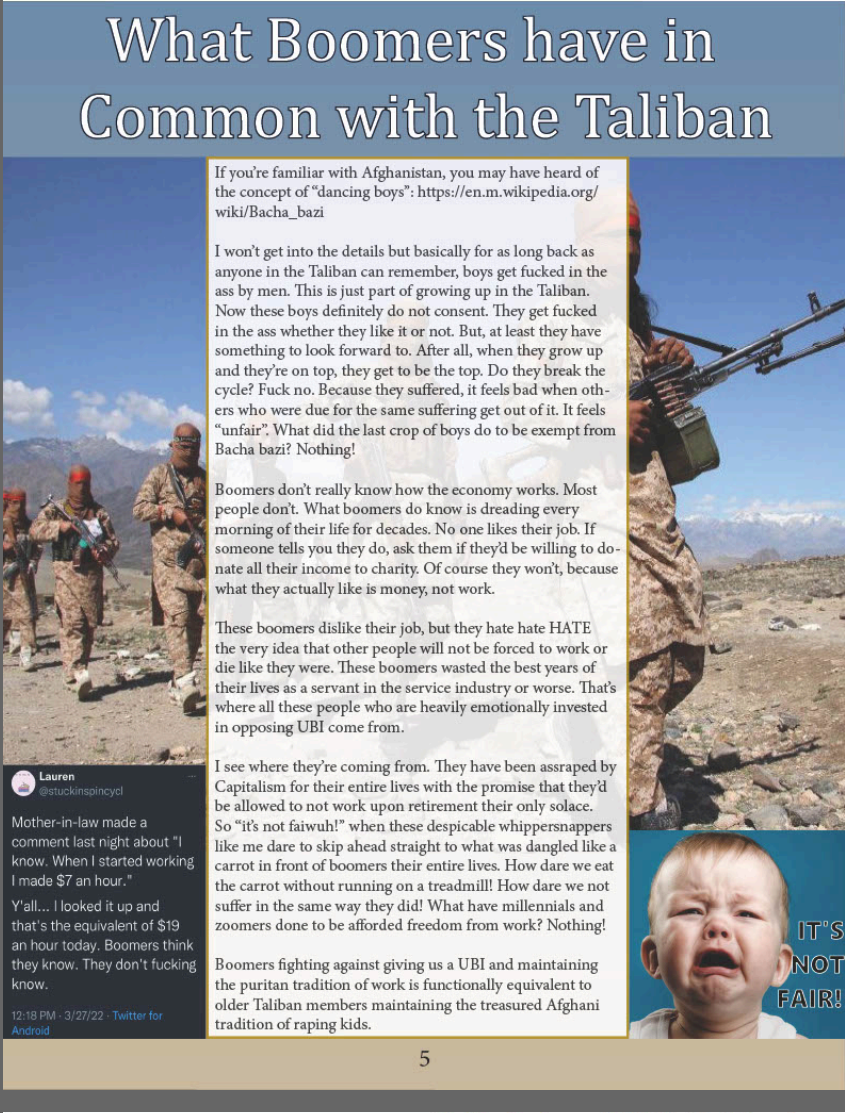

What Boomers have in Common with the Taliban

If you're familiar with Afghanistan, you may have heard of the concept of "dancing boys": https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bacha_bazi

I won't get into the details but basically for as long back as anyone in the Taliban can remember, boys get fucked in the ass by men. This is just part of growing up in the Taliban. Now these boys definitely do not consent. They get fucked in the ass whether they like it or not. But, at least they have something to look forward to. After all, when they grow up and they're on top, they get to be the top. Do they break the cycle? Fuck no. Because they suffered, it feels bad when others who were due for the same suffering get out of it. It feels "unfair". What did the last crop of boys do to be exempt from Bacha bazi? Nothing!

Boomers don't really know how the economy works. Most people don't. What boomers do know is dreading every morning of their life for decades. No one likes their job. If someone tells you they do, ask them if they'd be willing to donate all their income to charity. Of course they won't, because what they actually like is money, not work.

These boomers dislike their job, but they hate hate HATE the very idea that other people will not be forced to work or die like they were. These boomers wasted the best years of their lives as a servant in the service industry or worse. That's where all these people who are heavily emotionally invested in opposing UBI come from.

I see where they're coming from. They have been assraped by Capitalism for their entire lives with the promise that they'd be allowed to not work upon retirement their only solace. So "it's not faiwuh!" when these despicable whippersnappers like me dare to skip ahead straight to what was dangled like a carrot in front of boomers their entire lives. How dare we eat the carrot without running on a treadmill! How dare we not suffer in the same way they did! What have millennials and zoomers done to be afforded freedom from work? Nothing!

Boomers fighting against giving us a UBI and maintaining the puritan tradition of work is functionally equivalent to older Taliban members maintaining the treasured Afghani tradition of raping kids.

Lauren
@muckinpinkcyd
Mother-in-law made a comment last night about "I know. When I started working I made $7 an hour."
Y'all.... I looked it up and that's the equivalent of $19 an hour today. Boomers think they know. They don't fucking know.
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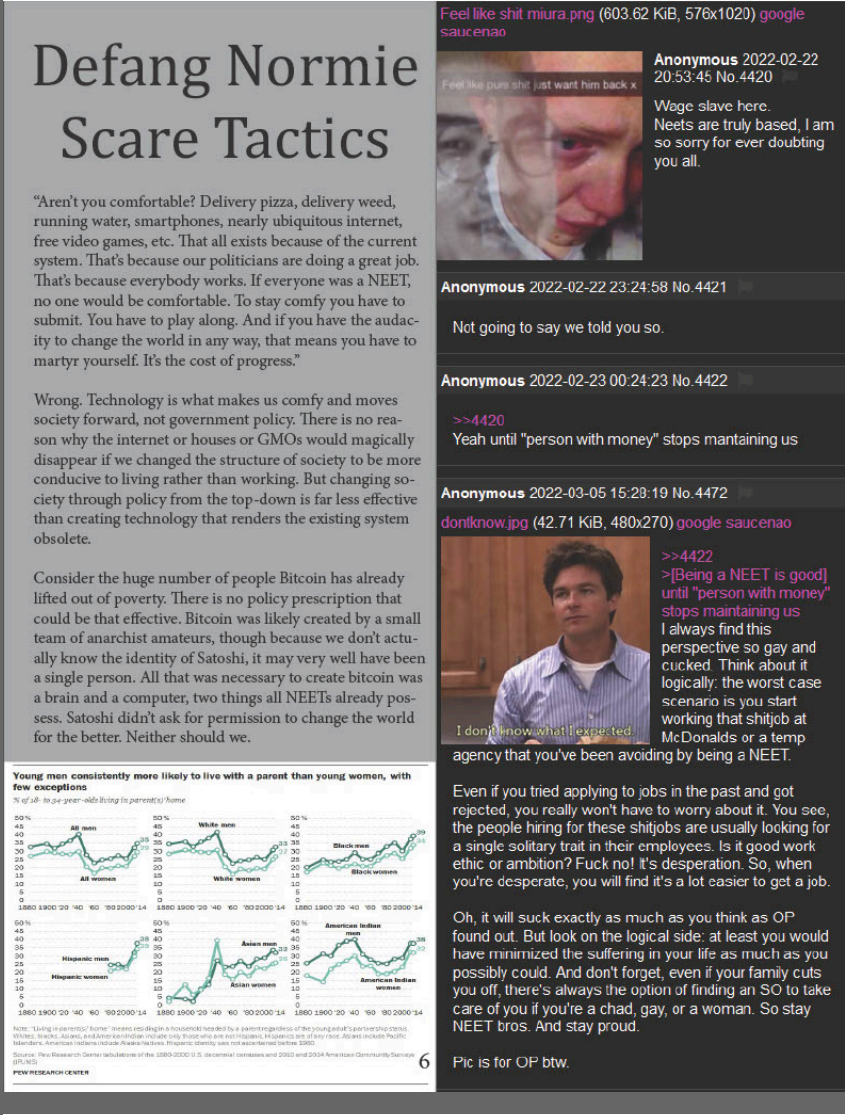

Defang Normie Scare Tactics

"Aren't you comfortable? Delivery pizza, delivery weed, running water, smartphones, nearly ubiquitous internet, free video games, etc. That all exists because of the current system. That's because our politicians are doing a great job. That's because everybody works. If everyone was a NEET, no one would be comfortable. To stay comfy you have to submit. You have to play along. And if you have the audacity to change the world in any way, that means you have to martyr yourself. It's the cost of progress."

Wrong. Technology is what makes us comfy and moves society forward, not government policy. There is no reason why the internet or houses or GMOs would magically disappear if we changed the structure of society to be more conducive to living rather than working. But changing society through policy from the top-down is far less effective than creating technology that renders the existing system obsolete.

Consider the huge number of people Bitcoin has already lifted out of poverty. There is no policy prescription that could be that effective. Bitcoin was likely created by a small team of anarchist amateurs, though because we don't actually know the identity of Satoshi, it may very well have been a single person. All that was necessary to create bitcoin was a brain and a computer, two things all NEETs already possess. Satoshi didn't ask for permission to change the world for the better. Neither should we.

Young men consistently more likely to live with a parent than young women, with few exceptions

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Wage slave here.
Neets are truly based, I am so sorry for ever doubting you all.

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Yeah until "person with money" stops mantaining us

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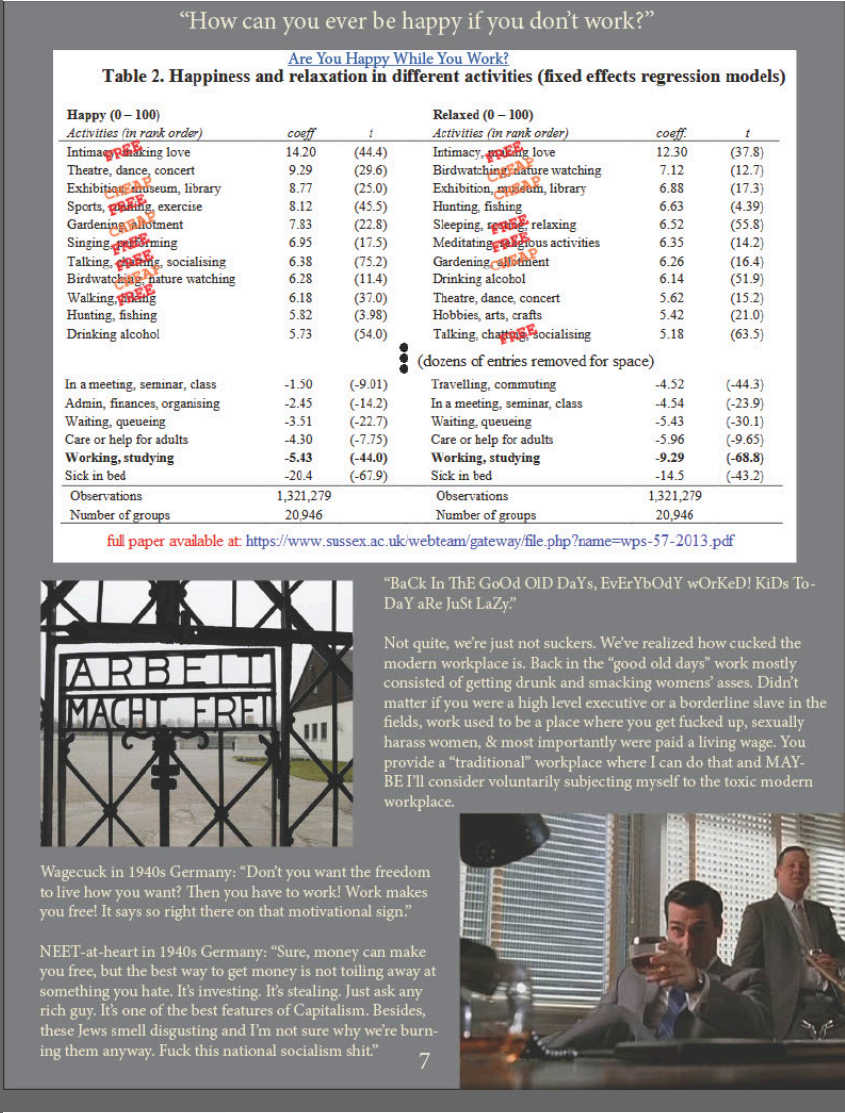
>[Being a NEET is good] until "person with money" stops maintaining us
I always find this perspective so gay and cucked. Think about it logically: the worst case scenario is you start working that shitjob at McDonalds or a temp agency that you've been avoiding by being a NEET.
Even if you tried applying to jobs in the past and got rejected, you really won't have to worry about it. You see, the people hiring for these shitjobs are usually looking for a single solitary trait in their employees. Is it good work ethic or ambition? Fuck no! It's desperation. So, when you're desperate, you will find it's a lot easier to get a job.
Oh, it will suck exactly as much as you think as OP found out. But look on the logical side: at least you would have minimized the suffering in your life as much as you possibly could. And don't forget, even if your family cuts you off, there's always the option of finding an SO to take care of you if you're a chad, gay, or a woman. So stay NEET bros. And stay proud.
Pic is for OP btw.



"How can you ever be happy if you don't work?"

Are You Happy While You Work?

Table 2. Happiness and relaxation in different activities (fixed effects regression models)

Happy (0 – 100) Activities (in rank order)	coeff	t	Relaxed (0 – 100) Activities (in rank order)	coeff	t
Intimacy, making love	14.20	(44.4)	Intimacy, making love	12.30	(37.8)
Theatre, dance, concert	9.29	(29.6)	Birdwatching, nature watching	7.12	(12.7)
Exhibition, museum, library	8.77	(25.0)	Exhibition, museum, library	6.88	(17.3)
Sports, running, exercise	8.12	(45.5)	Hunting, fishing	6.63	(4.39)
Gardening, allotment	7.83	(22.8)	Sleeping, resting, relaxing	6.52	(55.8)
Singing, performing	6.95	(17.5)	Meditating, religious activities	6.35	(14.2)
Talking, chatting, socialising	6.38	(75.2)	Gardening, allotment	6.26	(16.4)
Birdwatching, nature watching	6.28	(11.4)	Drinking alcohol	6.14	(51.9)
Walking, hiking	6.18	(37.0)	Theatre, dance, concert	5.62	(15.2)
Hunting, fishing	5.82	(3.98)	Hobbies, arts, crafts	5.42	(21.0)
Drinking alcohol	5.73	(54.0)	Talking, chatting, socialising	5.18	(63.5)
(dozens of entries removed for space)					
In a meeting, seminar, class	-1.50	(-9.01)	Travelling, commuting	-4.52	(-44.3)
Admin, finances, organising	-2.45	(-14.2)	In a meeting, seminar, class	-4.54	(-23.9)
Waiting, queueing	-3.51	(-22.7)	Waiting, queueing	-5.43	(-30.1)
Care or help for adults	-4.30	(-7.75)	Care or help for adults	-5.96	(-9.65)
Working, studying	**-5.43**	**(-44.0)**	**Working, studying**	**-9.29**	**(-68.8)**
Sick in bed	-20.4	(-67.9)	Sick in bed	-14.5	(-43.2)
Observations	1,321,279		Observations	1,321,279	
Number of groups	20,946		Number of groups	20,946	

full paper available at: https://www.sussex.ac.uk/webteam/gateway/file.php?name=wps-57-2013.pdf

"BaCk In ThE GoOd OlD DaYs, EvErYbOdY wOrKeD! KiDs To-DaY aRe JuSt LaZy."

Not quite, we're just not suckers. We've realized how cucked the modern workplace is. Back in the "good old days" work mostly consisted of getting drunk and smacking womens' asses. Didn't matter if you were a high level executive or a borderline slave in the fields, work used to be a place where you got fucked up, sexually harass women, & most importantly were paid a living wage. You provide a "traditional" workplace where I can do that and MAYBE I'll consider voluntarily subjecting myself to the toxic modern workplace.

Wagecuck in 1940s Germany: "Don't you want the freedom to live how you want? Then you have to work! Work makes you free! It says so right there on that motivational sign."

NEET-at-heart in 1940s Germany: "Sure, money can make you free, but the best way to get money is not toiling away at something you hate. It's investing. It's stealing. Just ask any rich guy. It's one of the best features of Capitalism. Besides, these Jews smell disgusting and I'm not sure why we're burning them anyway. Fuck this national socialism shit."

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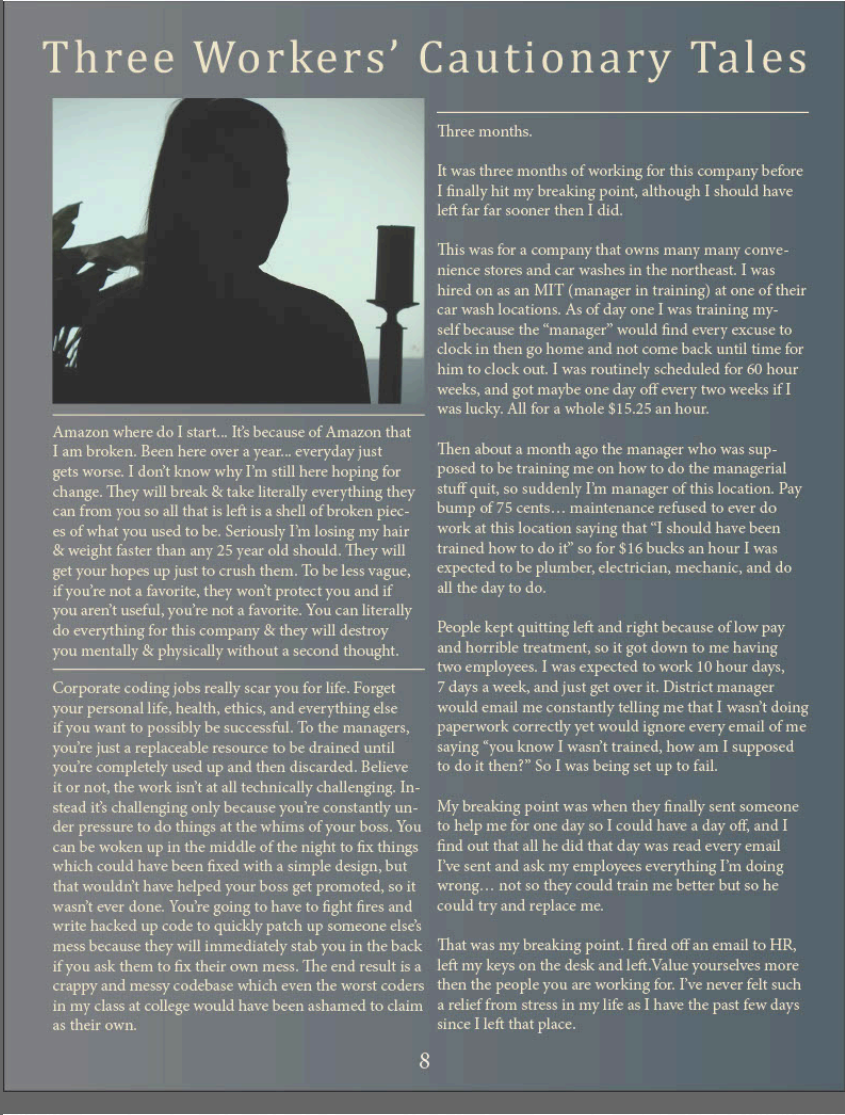

Three Workers' Cautionary Tales

Amazon where do I start... It's because of Amazon that I am broken. Been here over a year... everyday just gets worse. I don't know why I'm still here hoping for change. They will break & take literally everything they can from you so all that is left is a shell of broken pieces of what you used to be. Seriously I'm losing my hair & weight faster than any 25 year old should. They will get your hopes up just to crush them. To be less vague, if you're not a favorite, they won't protect you and if you aren't useful, you're not a favorite. You can literally do everything for this company & they will destroy you mentally & physically without a second thought.

Corporate coding jobs really scar you for life. Forget your personal life, health, ethics, and everything else if you want to possibly be successful. To the managers, you're just a replaceable resource to be drained until you're completely used up and then discarded. Believe it or not, the work isn't at all technically challenging. Instead it's challenging only because you're constantly under pressure to do things at the whims of your boss. You can be woken up in the middle of the night to fix things which could have been fixed with a simple design, but that wouldn't have helped your boss get promoted, so it wasn't ever done. You're going to have to fight fires and write hacked up code to quickly patch up someone else's mess because they will immediately stab you in the back if you ask them to fix their own mess. The end result is a crappy and messy codebase which even the worst coders in my class at college would have been ashamed to claim as their own.

Three months.

It was three months of working for this company before I finally hit my breaking point, although I should have left far far sooner then I did.

This was for a company that owns many many convenience stores and car washes in the northeast. I was hired on as an MIT (manager in training) at one of their car wash locations. As of day one I was training myself because the "manager" would find every excuse to clock in then go home and not come back until time for him to clock out. I was routinely scheduled for 60 hour weeks, and got maybe one day off every two weeks if I was lucky. All for a whole $15.25 an hour.

Then about a month ago the manager who was supposed to be training me on how to do the managerial stuff quit, so suddenly I'm manager of this location. Pay bump of 75 cents... maintenance refused to ever do work at this location saying that "I should have been trained how to do it" so for $16 bucks an hour I was expected to be plumber, electrician, mechanic, and do all the day to do.

People kept quitting left and right because of low pay and horrible treatment, so it got down to me having two employees. I was expected to work 10 hour days, 7 days a week, and just get over it. District manager would email me constantly telling me that I wasn't doing paperwork correctly yet would ignore every email of me saying "you know I wasn't trained, how am I supposed to do it then?" So I was being set up to fail.

My breaking point was when they finally sent someone to help me for one day so I could have a day off, and I find out that all he did that day was read every email I've sent and ask my employees everything I'm doing wrong... not so they could train me better but so he could try and replace me.

That was my breaking point. I fired off an email to HR, left my keys on the desk and left. Value yourselves more then the people you are working for. I've never felt such a relief from stress in my life as I have the past few days since I left that place.

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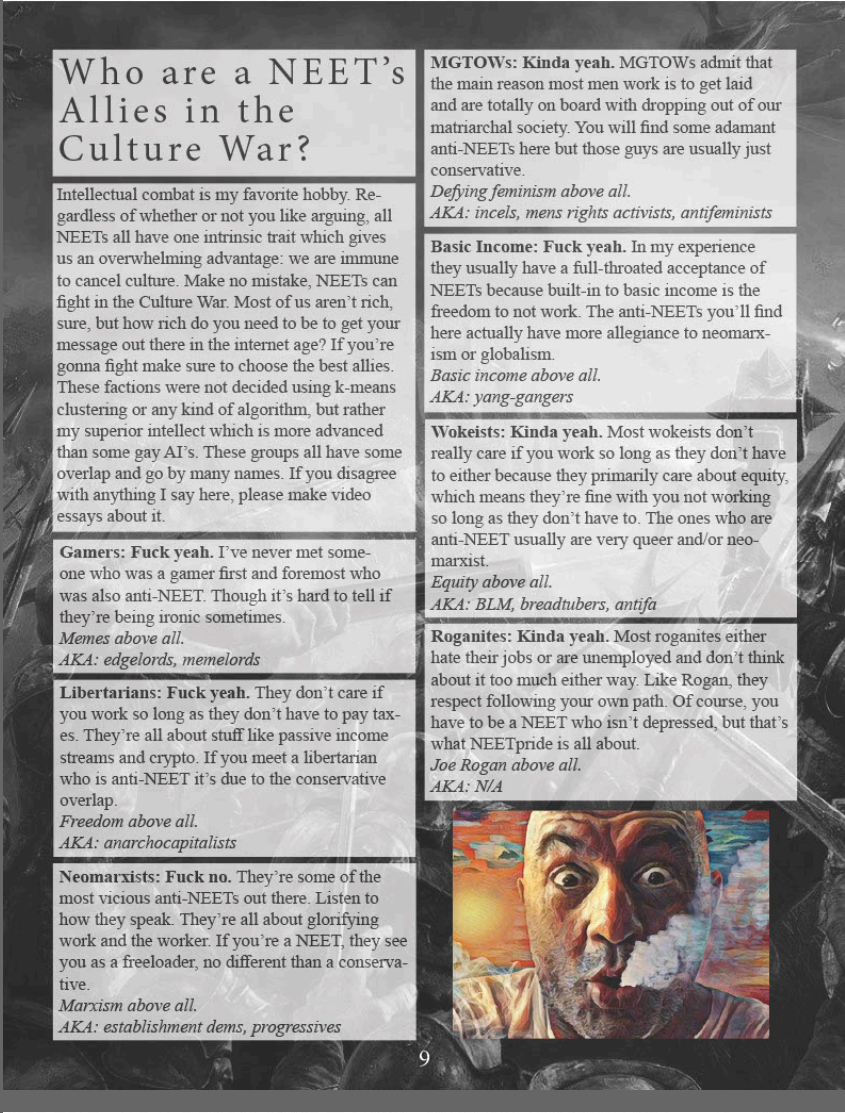

Who are a NEET's Allies in the Culture War?

Intellectual combat is my favorite hobby. Regardless of whether or not you like arguing, all NEETs all have one intrinsic trait which gives us an overwhelming advantage: we are immune to cancel culture. Make no mistake, NEETs can fight in the Culture War. Most of us aren't rich, sure, but how rich do you need to be to get your message out there in the internet age? If you're gonna fight make sure to choose the best allies. These factions were not decided using k-means clustering or any kind of algorithm, but rather my superior intellect which is more advanced than some gay AI's. These groups all have some overlap and go by many names. If you disagree with anything I say here, please make video essays about it.

Gamers: Fuck yeah. I've never met someone who was a gamer first and foremost who was also anti-NEET. Though it's hard to tell if they're being ironic sometimes.
Memes above all.
AKA: edgelords, memeiords

Libertarians: Fuck yeah. They don't care if you work so long as they don't have to pay taxes. They're all about stuff like passive income streams and crypto. If you meet a libertarian who is anti-NEET it's due to the conservative overlap.
Freedom above all.
AKA: anarchocapitalists

Neomarxists: Fuck no. They're some of the most vicious anti-NEETs out there. Listen to how they speak. They're all about glorifying work and the worker. If you're a NEET, they see you as a freeloader, no different than a conservative.
Marxism above all.
AKA: establishment dems, progressives

MGTOWs: Kinda yeah. MGTOWs admit that the main reason most men work is to get laid and are totally on board with dropping out of our matriarchal society. You will find some adamant anti-NEETs here but those guys are usually just conservative.
Defying feminism above all.
AKA: incels, mens rights activists, antifeminists

Basic Income: Fuck yeah. In my experience they usually have a full-throated acceptance of NEETs because built-in to basic income is the freedom to not work. The anti-NEETs you'll find here actually have more allegiance to neomarxism or globalism.
Basic income above all.
AKA: yang-gangers

Wokeists: Kinda yeah. Most wokeists don't really care if you work so long as they don't have to either because they primarily care about equity, which means they're fine with you not working so long as they don't have to. The ones who are anti-NEET usually are very queer and/or neomarxist.
Equity above all.
AKA: BLM, breadtubers, antifa

Roganites: Kinda yeah. Most roganites either hate their jobs or are unemployed and don't think about it too much either way. Like Rogan, they respect following your own path. Of course, you have to be a NEET who isn't depressed, but that's what NEETpride is all about.
Joe Rogan above all.
AKA: N/A

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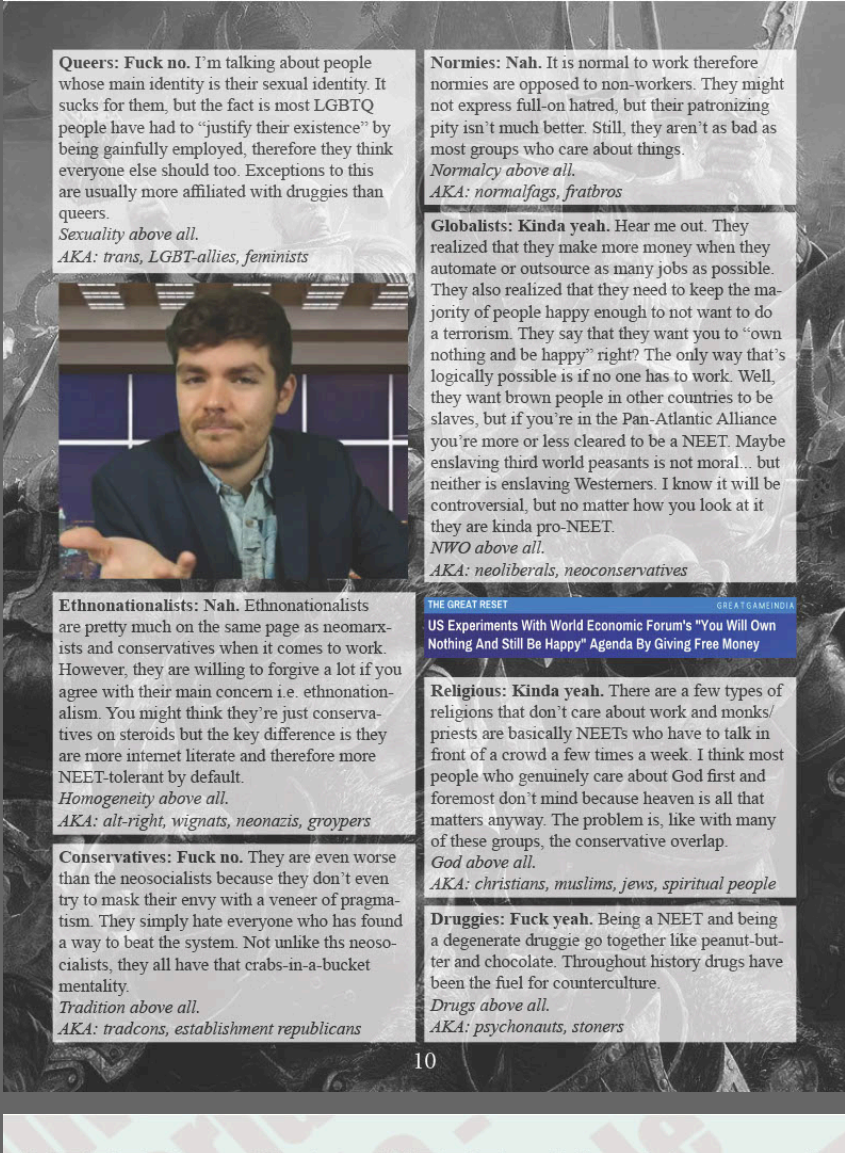

Queers: Fuck no. I'm talking about people whose main identity is their sexual identity. It sucks for them, but the fact is most LGBTQ people have had to "justify their existence" by being gainfully employed, therefore they think everyone else should too. Exceptions to this are usually more affiliated with druggies than queers.
Sexuality above all.
AKA: trans, LGBT-allies, feminists

Ethnonationalists: Nah. Ethnonationalists are pretty much on the same page as neomarxists and conservatives when it comes to work. However, they are willing to forgive a lot if you agree with their main concern i.e. ethnonationalism. You might think they're just conservatives on steroids but the key difference is they are more internet literate and therefore more NEET-tolerant by default.
Homogeneity above all.
AKA: alt-right, wignats, neonazis, groypers

Conservatives: Fuck no. They are even worse than the neosocialists because they don't even try to mask their envy with a veneer of pragmatism. They simply hate everyone who has found a way to beat the system. Not unlike the neosocialists, they all have that crabs-in-a-bucket mentality.
Tradition above all.
AKA: tradcons, establishment republicans

Normies: Nah. It is normal to work therefore normies are opposed to non-workers. They might not express full-on hatred, but their patronizing pity isn't much better. Still, they aren't as bad as most groups who care about things.
Normalcy above all.
AKA: normalfags, fratbros

Globalists: Kinda yeah. Hear me out. They realized that they make more money when they automate or outsource as many jobs as possible. They also realized that they need to keep the majority of people happy enough to not want to do a terrorism. They say that they want you to "own nothing and be happy" right? The only way that's logically possible is if no one has to work. Well, they want brown people in other countries to be slaves, but if you're in the Pan-Atlantic Alliance you're more or less cleared to be a NEET. Maybe enslaving third world peasants is not moral... but neither is enslaving Westerners. I know it will be controversial, but no matter how you look at it they are kinda pro-NEET.
NWO above all.
AKA: neoliberals, neoconservatives

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Religious: Kinda yeah. There are a few types of religions that don't care about work and monks/priests are basically NEETs who have to talk in front of a crowd a few times a week. I think most people who genuinely care about God first and foremost don't mind because heaven is all that matters anyway. The problem is, like with many of these groups, the conservative overlap.
God above all.
AKA: christians, muslims, jews, spiritual people

Druggies: Fuck yeah. Being a NEET and being a degenerate druggie go together like peanut-butter and chocolate. Throughout history drugs have been the fuel for counterculture.
Drugs above all.
AKA: psychonauts, stoners

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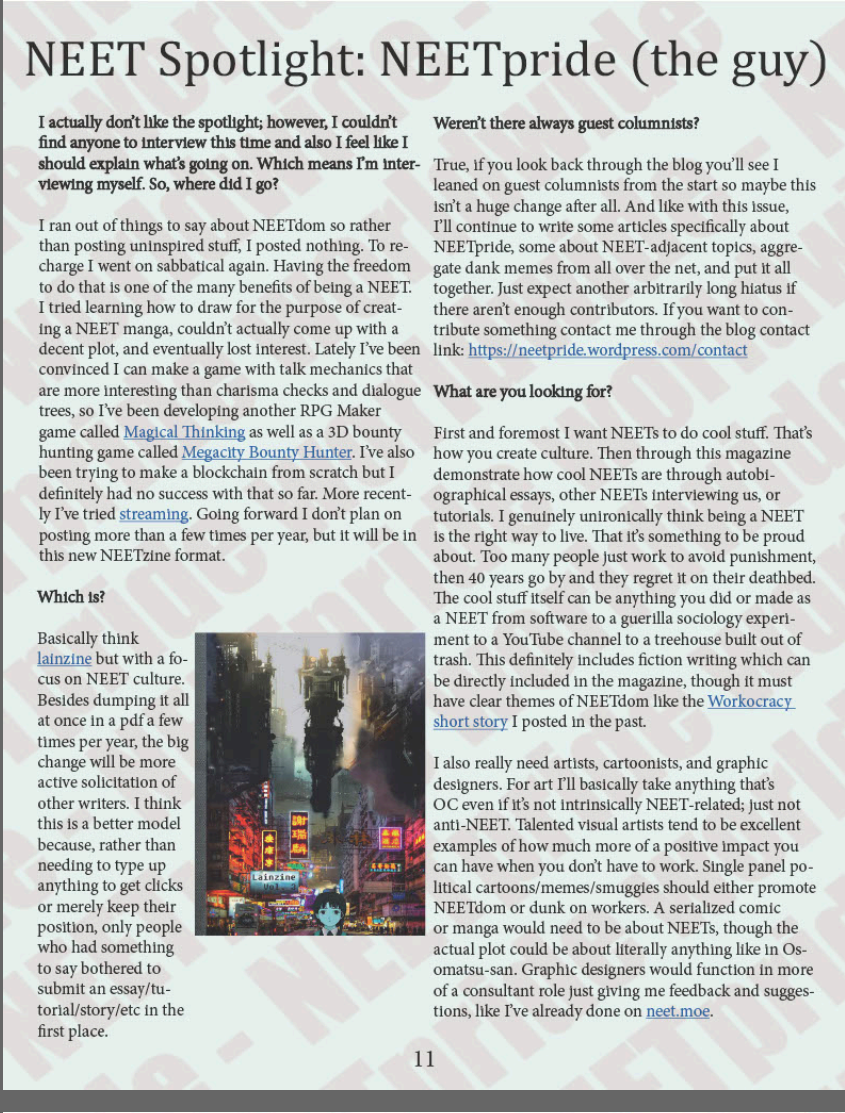

NEET Spotlight: NEETpride (the guy)

I actually don't like the spotlight; however, I couldn't find anyone to interview this time and also I feel like I should explain what's going on. Which means I'm interviewing myself. So, where did I go?

I ran out of things to say about NEETdom so rather than posting uninspired stuff, I posted nothing. To recharge I went on sabbatical again. Having the freedom to do that is one of the many benefits of being a NEET. I tried learning how to draw for the purpose of creating a NEET manga, couldn't actually come up with a decent plot, and eventually lost interest. Lately I've been convinced I can make a game with talk mechanics that are more interesting than charisma checks and dialogue trees, so I've been developing another RPG Maker game called Magical Thinking as well as a 3D bounty hunting game called Megacity Bounty Hunter. I've also been trying to make a blockchain from scratch but I definitely had no success with that so far. More recently I've tried streaming. Going forward I don't plan on posting more than a few times per year, but it will be in this new NEETzine format.

Which is?

Basically think lainzine but with a focus on NEET culture. Besides dumping it all at once in a pdf a few times per year, the big change will be more active solicitation of other writers. I think this is a better model because, rather than needing to type up anything to get clicks or merely keep their position, only people who had something to say bothered to submit an essay/tutorial/story/etc in the first place.

Weren't there always guest columnists?

True, if you look back through the blog you'll see I leaned on guest columnists from the start so maybe this isn't a huge change after all. And like with this issue, I'll continue to write some articles specifically about NEETpride, some about NEET-adjacent topics, aggregate dank memes from all over the net, and put it all together. Just expect another arbitrarily long hiatus if there aren't enough contributors. If you want to contribute something contact me through the blog contact link: https://neetpride.wordpress.com/contact

What are you looking for?

First and foremost I want NEETs to do cool stuff. That's how you create culture. Then through this magazine demonstrate how cool NEETs are through autobiographical essays, other NEETs interviewing us, or tutorials. I genuinely unironically think being a NEET is the right way to live. That it's something to be proud about. Too many people just work to avoid punishment, then 40 years go by and they regret it on their deathbed. The cool stuff itself can be anything you did or made as a NEET from software to a guerilla sociology experiment to a YouTube channel to a treehouse built out of trash. This definitely includes fiction writing which can be directly included in the magazine, though it must have clear themes of NEETdom like the Workocracy short story I posted in the past.

I also really need artists, cartoonists, and graphic designers. For art I'll basically take anything that's OC even if it's not intrinsically NEET-related; just not anti-NEET. Talented visual artists tend to be excellent examples of how much more of a positive impact you can have when you don't have to work. Single panel political cartoons/memes/smuggies should either promote NEETdom or dunk on workers. A serialized comic or manga would need to be about NEETs, though the actual plot could be about literally anything like in Osomatsu-san. Graphic designers would function in more of a consultant role just giving me feedback and suggestions, like I've already done on neet.moe.

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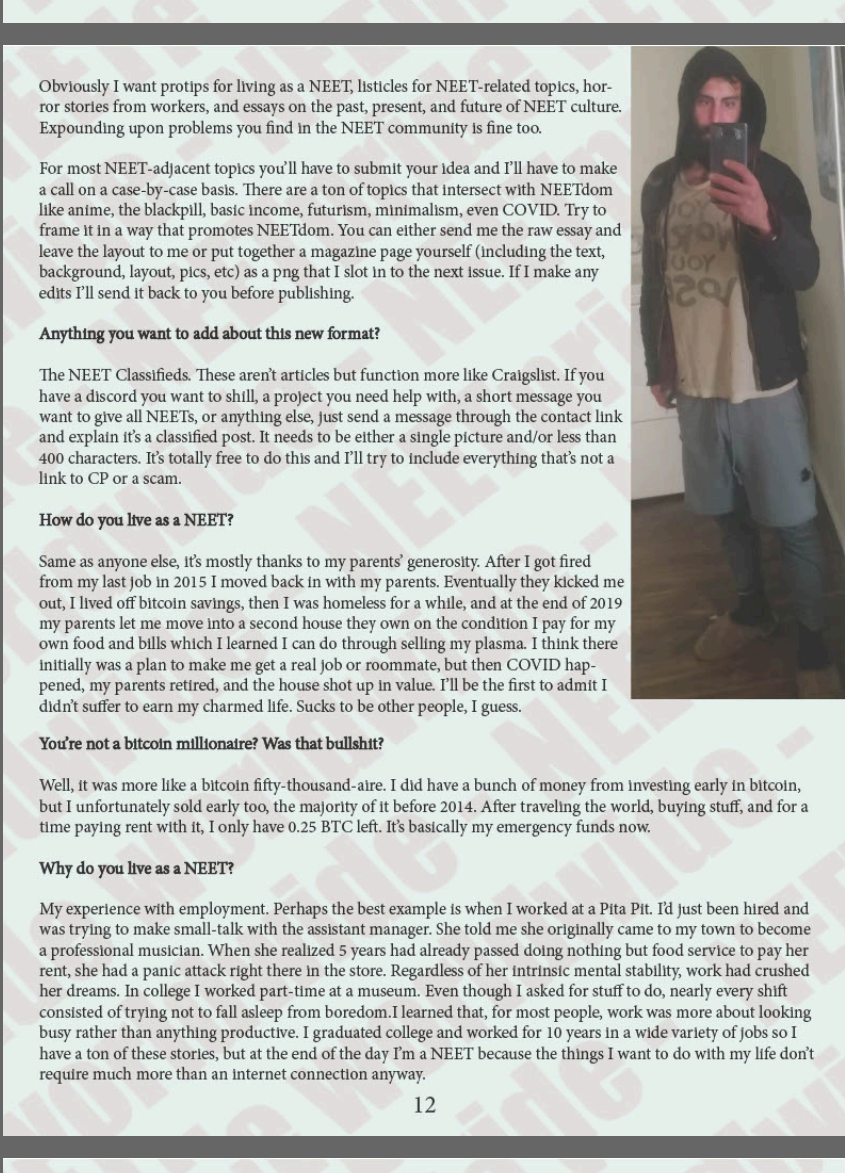

Obviously I want protips for living as a NEET, listicles for NEET-related topics, horror stories from workers, and essays on the past, present, and future of NEET culture. Expounding upon problems you find in the NEET community is fine too.

For most NEET-adjacent topics you'll have to submit your idea and I'll have to make a call on a case-by-case basis. There are a ton of topics that intersect with NEETdom like anime, the blackpill, basic income, futurism, minimalism, even COVID. Try to frame it in a way that promotes NEETdom. You can either send me the raw essay and leave the layout to me or put together a magazine page yourself (including the text, background, layout, pics, etc) as a png that I slot in to the next issue. If I make any edits I'll send it back to you before publishing.

Anything you want to add about this new format?

The NEET Classifieds. These aren't articles but function more like Craigslist. If you have a discord you want to shill, a project you need help with, a short message you want to give all NEETs, or anything else, just send a message through the contact link and explain it's a classified post. It needs to be either a single picture and/or less than 400 characters. It's totally free to do this and I'll try to include everything that's not a link to CP or a scam.

How do you live as a NEET?

Same as anyone else, it's mostly thanks to my parents' generosity. After I got fired from my last job in 2015 I moved back in with my parents. Eventually they kicked me out, I lived off bitcoin savings, then I was homeless for a while, and at the end of 2019 my parents let me move into a second house they own on the condition I pay for my own food and bills which I learned I can do through selling my plasma. I think there initially was a plan to make me get a real job or roommate, but then COVID happened, my parents retired, and the house shot up in value. I'll be the first to admit I didn't suffer to earn my charmed life. Sucks to be other people, I guess.

You're not a bitcoin millionaire? Was that bullshit?

Well, it was more like a bitcoin fifty-thousand-aire. I did have a bunch of money from investing early in bitcoin, but I unfortunately sold early too, the majority of it before 2014. After traveling the world, buying stuff, and for a time paying rent with it, I only have 0.25 BTC left. It's basically my emergency funds now.

Why do you live as a NEET?

My experience with employment. Perhaps the best example is when I worked at a Pita Pit. I'd just been hired and was trying to make small-talk with the assistant manager. She told me she originally came to my town to become a professional musician. When she realized 5 years had already passed doing nothing but food service to pay her rent, she had a panic attack right there in the store. Regardless of her intrinsic mental stability, work had crushed her dreams. In college I worked part-time at a museum. Even though I asked for stuff to do, nearly every shift consisted of trying not to fall asleep from boredom. I learned that, for most people, work was more about looking busy rather than anything productive. I graduated college and worked for 10 years in a wide variety of jobs so I have a ton of these stories, but at the end of the day I'm a NEET because the things I want to do with my life don't require much more than an internet connection anyway.

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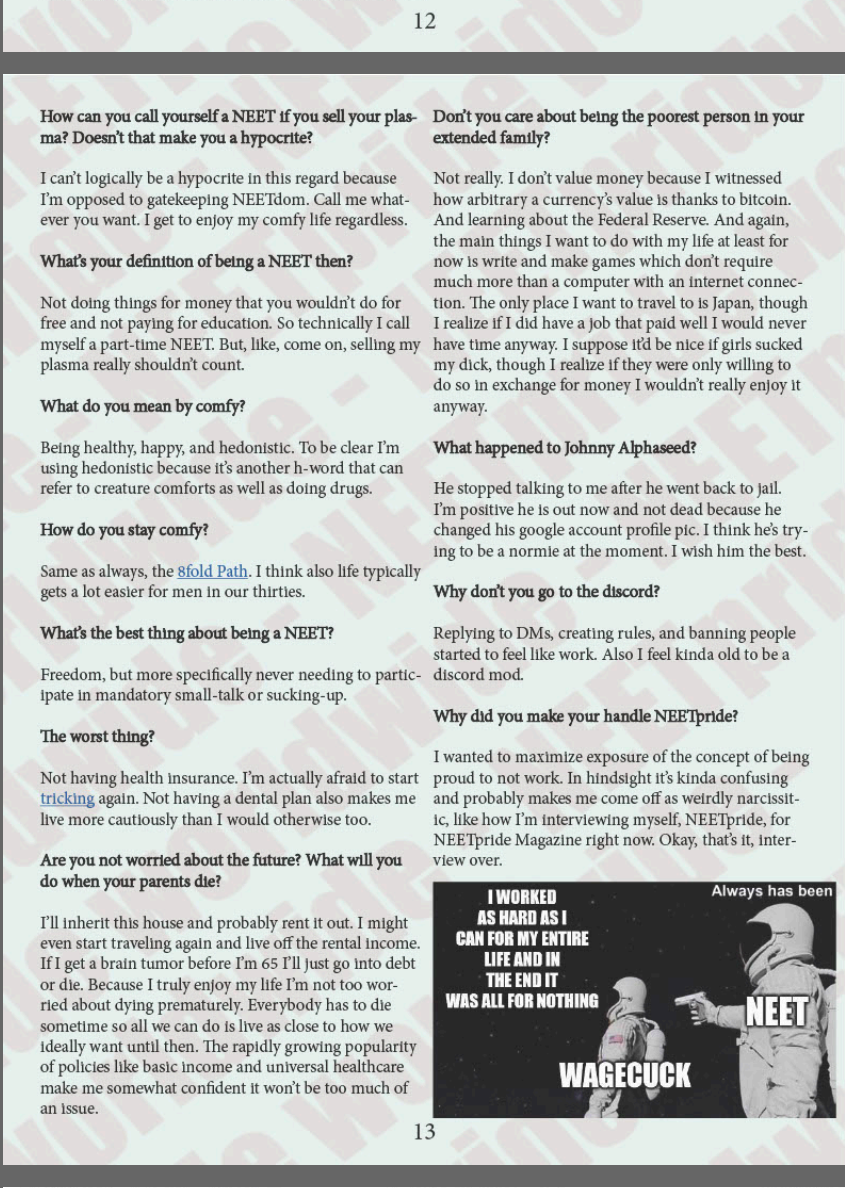

How can you call yourself a NEET if you sell your plasma? Doesn't that make you a hypocrite?

I can't logically be a hypocrite in this regard because I'm opposed to gatekeeping NEETdom. Call me whatever you want. I get to enjoy my comfy life regardless.

What's your definition of being a NEET then?

Not doing things for money that you wouldn't do for free and not paying for education. So technically I call myself a part-time NEET. But, like, come on, selling my plasma really shouldn't count.

What do you mean by comfy?

Being healthy, happy, and hedonistic. To be clear I'm using hedonistic because it's another h-word that can refer to creature comforts as well as doing drugs.

How do you stay comfy?

Same as always, the 8fold Path. I think also life typically gets a lot easier for men in our thirties.

What's the best thing about being a NEET?

Freedom, but more specifically never needing to participate in mandatory small-talk or sucking-up.

The worst thing?

Not having health insurance. I'm actually afraid to start tricking again. Not having a dental plan also makes me live more cautiously than I would otherwise too.

Are you not worried about the future? What will you do when your parents die?

I'll inherit this house and probably rent it out. I might even start traveling again and live off the rental income. If I get a brain tumor before I'm 65 I'll just go into debt or die. Because I truly enjoy my life I'm not too worried about dying prematurely. Everybody has to die sometime so all we can do is live as close to how we ideally want until then. The rapidly growing popularity of policies like basic income and universal healthcare make me somewhat confident it won't be too much of an issue.

Don't you care about being the poorest person in your extended family?

Not really. I don't value money because I witnessed how arbitrary a currency's value is thanks to bitcoin. And learning about the Federal Reserve. And again, the main things I want to do with my life at least for now is write and make games which don't require much more than a computer with an internet connection. The only place I want to travel to is Japan, though I realize if I did have a job that paid well I would never have time anyway. I suppose it'd be nice if girls sucked my dick, though I realize if they were only willing to do so in exchange for money I wouldn't really enjoy it anyway.

What happened to Johnny Alphaseed?

He stopped talking to me after he went back to jail. I'm positive he is out now and not dead because he changed his google account profile pic. I think he's trying to be a normie at the moment. I wish him the best.

Why don't you go to the discord?

Replying to DMs, creating rules, and banning people started to feel like work. Also I feel kinda old to be a discord mod.

Why did you make your handle NEETpride?

I wanted to maximize exposure of the concept of being proud to not work. In hindsight it's kinda confusing and probably makes me come off as weirdly narcissistic, like how I'm interviewing myself, NEETpride, for NEETpride Magazine right now. Okay, that's it, interview over.

I WORKED AS HARD AS I CAN FOR MY ENTIRE LIFE AND IN THE END IT WAS ALL FOR NOTHING
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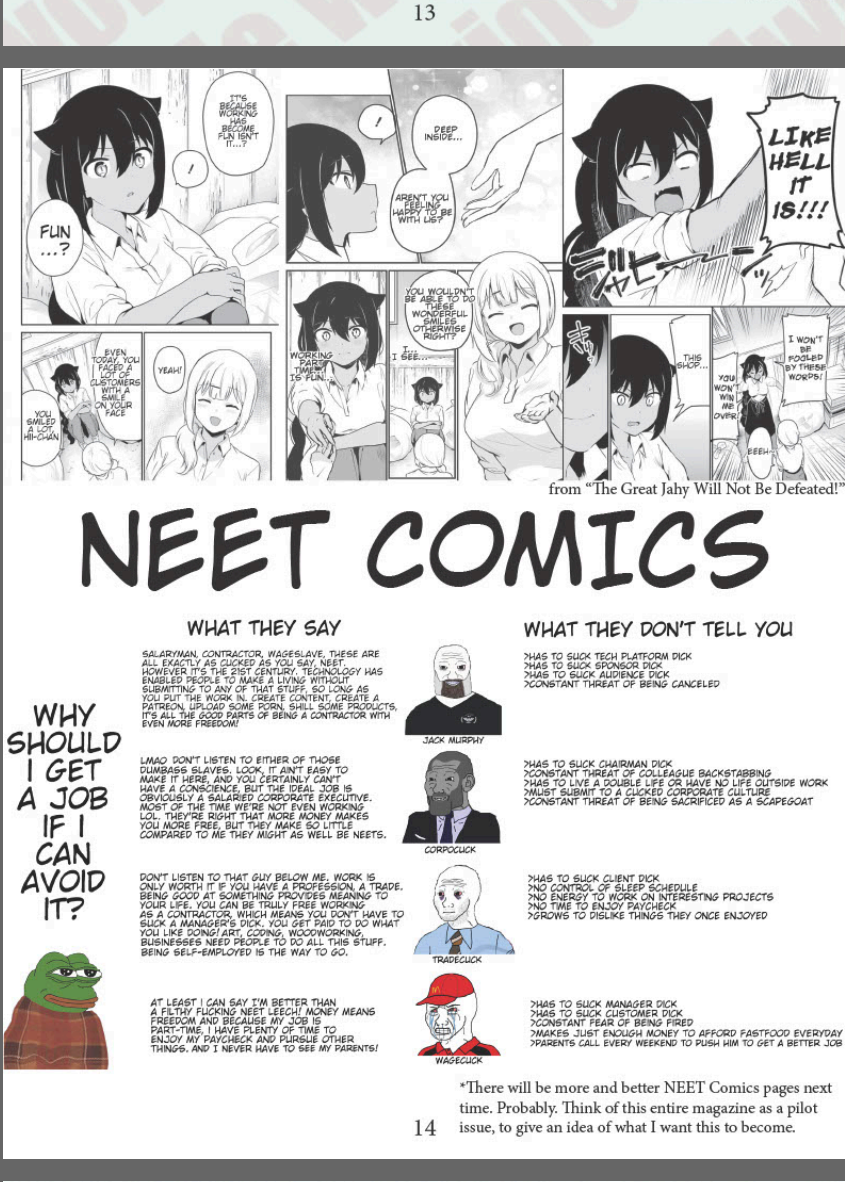

from "The Great Jahy Will Not Be Defeated!"

NEET COMICS

*There will be more and better NEET Comics pages next time. Probably. Think of this entire magazine as a pilot issue, to give an idea of what I want this to become.

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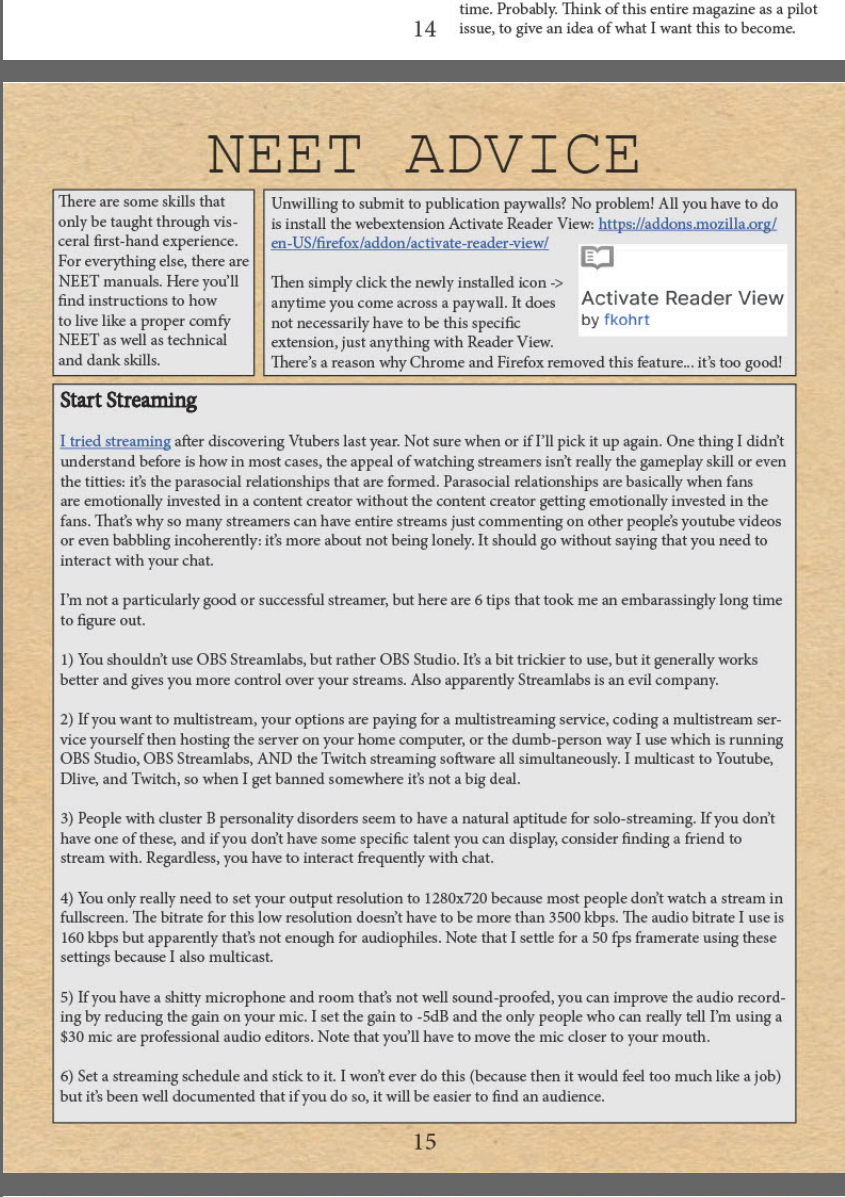

NEET ADVICE

There are some skills that only be taught through visceral first-hand experience. For everything else, there are NEET manuals. Here you'll find instructions to how to live like a proper comfy NEET as well as technical and dank skills.

Unwilling to submit to publication paywalls? No problem! All you have to do is install the webextension Activate Reader View: https://addons.mozilla.org/en-US/firefox/addon/activate-reader-view/

Then simply click the newly installed icon -> anytime you come across a paywall. It does not necessarily have to be this specific extension, just anything with Reader View. There's a reason why Chrome and Firefox removed this feature... it's too good!

Start Streaming

I tried streaming after discovering Vtubers last year. Not sure when or if I'll pick it up again. One thing I didn't understand before is how in most cases, the appeal of watching streamers isn't really the gameplay skill or even the titties: it's the parasocial relationships that are formed. Parasocial relationships are basically when fans are emotionally invested in a content creator without the content creator getting emotionally invested in the fans. That's why so many streamers can have entire streams just commenting on other people's youtube videos or even babbling incoherently: it's more about not being lonely. It should go without saying that you need to interact with your chat.

I'm not a particularly good or successful streamer, but here are 6 tips that took me an embarassingly long time to figure out.

1) You shouldn't use OBS Streamlabs, but rather OBS Studio. It's a bit trickier to use, but it generally works better and gives you more control over your streams. Also apparently Streamlabs is an evil company.

2) If you want to multistream, your options are paying for a multistreaming service, coding a multistream service yourself then hosting the server on your home computer, or the dumb-person way I use which is running OBS Studio, OBS Streamlabs, AND the Twitch streaming software all simultaneously. I multicast to Youtube, Dlive, and Twitch, so when I get banned somewhere it's not a big deal.

3) People with cluster B personality disorders seem to have a natural aptitude for solo-streaming. If you don't have one of these, and if you don't have some specific talent you can display, consider finding a friend to stream with. Regardless, you have to interact frequently with chat.

4) You only really need to set your output resolution to 1280x720 because most people don't watch a stream in fullscreen. The bitrate for this low resolution doesn't have to be more than 3500 kbps. The audio bitrate I use is 160 kbps but apparently that's not enough for audiophiles. Note that I settle for a 50 fps framerate using these settings because I also multicast.

5) If you have a shitty microphone and room that's not well sound-proofed, you can improve the audio recording by reducing the gain on your mic. I set the gain to -5dB and the only people who can really tell I'm using a $30 mic are professional audio editors. Note that you'll have to move the mic closer to your mouth.

6) Set a streaming schedule and stick to it. I won't ever do this (because then it would feel too much like a job) but it's been well documented that if you do so, it will be easier to find an audience.

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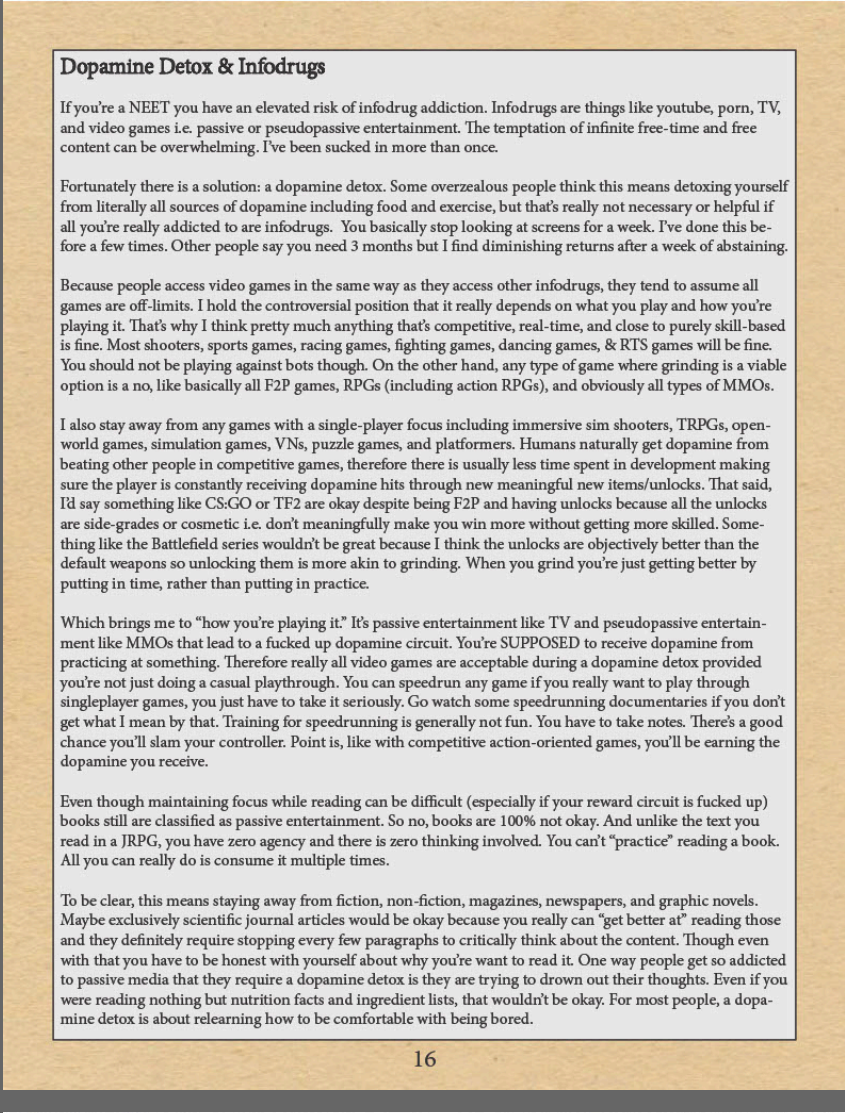

Dopamine Detox & Infodrugs

If you're a NEET you have an elevated risk of infodrug addiction. Infodrugs are things like youtube, porn, TV, and video games i.e. passive or pseudopassive entertainment. The temptation of infinite free-time and free content can be overwhelming. I've been sucked in more than once.

Fortunately there is a solution: a dopamine detox. Some overzealous people think this means detoxing yourself from literally all sources of dopamine including food and exercise, but that's really not necessary or helpful if all you're really addicted to are infodrugs. You basically stop looking at screens for a week. I've done this before a few times. Other people say you need 3 months but I find diminishing returns after a week of abstaining.

Because people access video games in the same way as they access other infodrugs, they tend to assume all games are off-limits. I hold the controversial position that it really depends on what you play and how you're playing it. That's why I think pretty much anything that's competitive, real-time, and close to purely skill-based is fine. Most shooters, sports games, racing games, fighting games, dancing games, & RTS games will be fine. You should not be playing against bots though. On the other hand, any type of game where grinding is a viable option is a no, like basically all F2P games, RPGs (including action RPGs), and obviously all types of MMOs.

I also stay away from any games with a single-player focus including immersive sim shooters, TRPGs, open-world games, simulation games, VNs, puzzle games, and platformers. Humans naturally get dopamine from beating other people in competitive games, therefore there is usually less time spent in development making sure the player is constantly receiving dopamine hits through new meaningful new items/unlocks. That said, I'd say something like CS:GO or TF2 are okay despite being F2P and having unlocks because all the unlocks are side-grades or cosmetic i.e. don't meaningfully make you win more without getting more skilled. Something like the Battlefield series wouldn't be great because I think the unlocks are objectively better than the default weapons so unlocking them is more akin to grinding. When you grind you're just getting better by putting in time, rather than putting in practice.

Which brings me to "how you're playing it." It's passive entertainment like TV and pseudopassive entertainment like MMOs that lead to a fucked up dopamine circuit. You're SUPPOSED to receive dopamine from practicing at something. Therefore really all video games are acceptable during a dopamine detox provided you're not just doing a casual playthrough. You can speedrun any game if you really want to play through singleplayer games, you just have to take it seriously. Go watch some speedrunning documentaries if you don't get what I mean by that. Training for speedrunning is generally not fun. You have to take notes. There's a good chance you'll slam your controller. Point is, like with competitive action-oriented games, you'll be earning the dopamine you receive.

Even though maintaining focus while reading can be difficult (especially if your reward circuit is fucked up) books still are classified as passive entertainment. So no, books are 100% not okay. And unlike the text you read in a JRPG, you have zero agency and there is zero thinking involved. You can't "practice" reading a book. All you can really do is consume it multiple times.

To be clear, this means staying away from fiction, non-fiction, magazines, newspapers, and graphic novels. Maybe exclusively scientific journal articles would be okay because you really can "get better at" reading those and they definitely require stopping every few paragraphs to critically think about the content. Though even with that you have to be honest with yourself about why you're wanting to read it. One way people get so addicted to passive media that they require a dopamine detox is they are trying to drown out their thoughts. Even if you were reading nothing but nutrition facts and ingredient lists, that wouldn't be okay. For most people, a dopamine detox is about relearning how to be comfortable with being bored.

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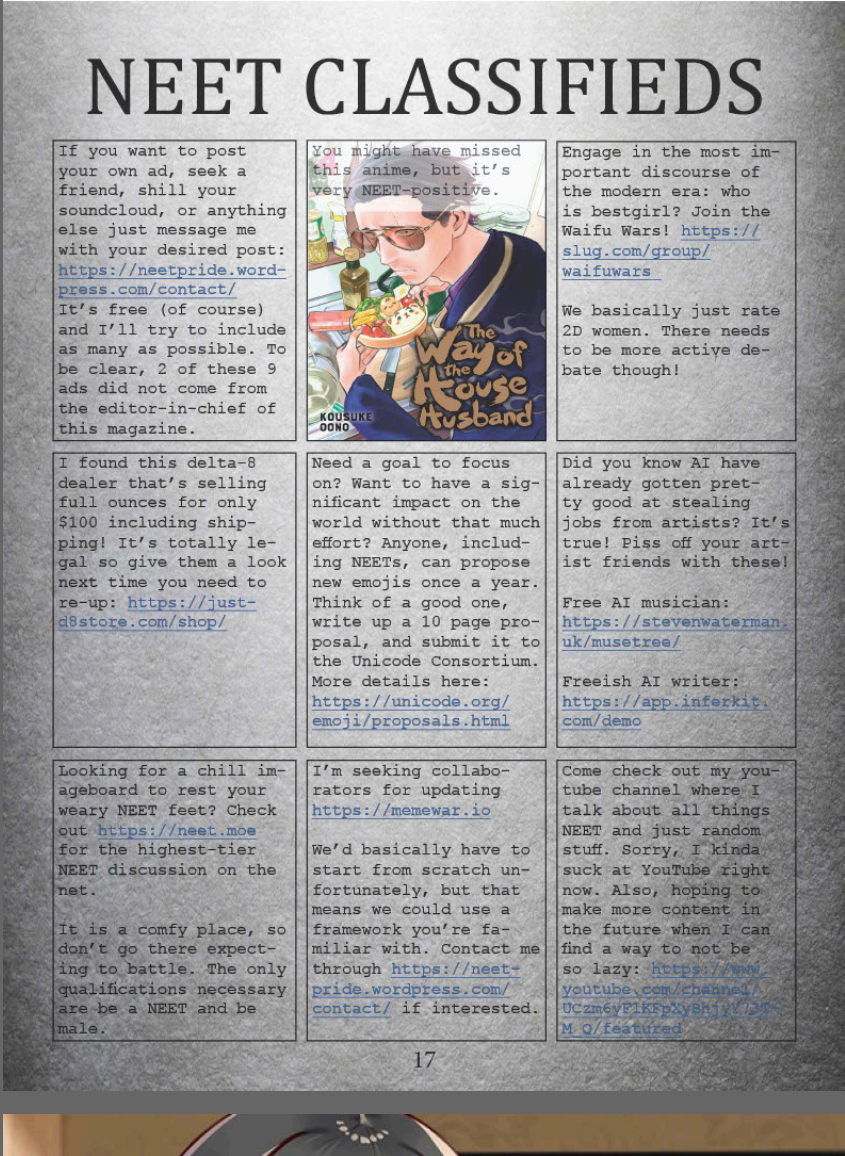

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If you want to post your own ad, seek a friend, shill your soundcloud, or anything else just message me with your desired post: https://neetpride.wordpress.com/contact/ It's free (of course) and I'll try to include as many as possible. To be clear, 2 of these 9 ads did not come from the editor-in-chief of this magazine.

You might have missed this anime, but it's very NEET-positive.

Engage in the most important discourse of the modern era: who is bestgirl? Join the Waifu Wars! https://slug.com/group/waifuwars

We basically just rate 2D women. There needs to be more active debate though!

I found this delta-8 dealer that's selling full ounces for only $100 including shipping! It's totally legal so give them a look next time you need to re-up: https://just-d8store.com/shop/

Need a goal to focus on? Want to have a significant impact on the world without that much effort? Anyone, including NEETs, can propose new emojis once a year. Think of a good one, write up a 10 page proposal, and submit it to the Unicode Consortium. More details here: https://unicode.org/emoji/proposals.html

Did you know AI have already gotten pretty good at stealing jobs from artists? It's true! Piss off your artist friends with these!

Free AI musician: https://stevenwaterman.uk/musetree/

Freeish AI writer: https://app.inferkit.com/demo

Looking for a chill imageboard to rest your weary NEET feet? Check out https://neet.moe for the highest-tier NEET discussion on the net.

It is a comfy place, so don't go there expecting to battle. The only qualifications necessary are be a NEET and be male.

I'm seeking collaborators for updating https://memewar.io

We'd basically have to start from scratch unfortunately, but that means we could use a framework you're familiar with. Contact me through https://neetpride.wordpress.com/contact/ if interested.

Come check out my youtube channel where I talk about all things NEET and just random stuff. Sorry, I kinda suck at YouTube right now. Also, hoping to make more content in the future when I can find a way to not be so lazy: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCxmcvPIkSyXxgNfLdK_M_Q/featured

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